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Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116  
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Group Art Unit: 1771

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Transmitted herewith is a **Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116** in the above-captioned application.

\_\_\_\_\_ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

\_\_\_\_\_ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_ A Request for Extension of Time.

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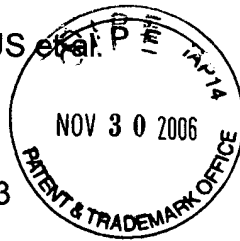
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 2, 2006. Inasmuch as the three month shortened statutory period for reply is originally set in the Office Action to expire on February 2, 2007, this response is being filed by the initial due date for response. However, if any extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization to charge any required extension of time fee or any other fees which may be required to preserve the pendency of the present application, including any extension of time fees which may be required for an Examiner's Amendment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.